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## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

(INCLUDING FILING FEE AND/OR PETITION FOR  
EXTENSION OF TIME FEE)

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective May 29, 2000  
provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application  
filed on or after June 8, 1995.  
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)

To: <b>Commissioner for Patents</b> <b>Box RCE</b> <b>PO Box 1450</b> <b>Alexandria, VA 22313-1450</b>		Attorney Docket No.: 1454.1168	
First Named Inventor	Lucian HIRSCH		
Application No.	09/700,093	Group Art Unit	2194
Filing Date	November 10, 2000	Examiner	Li B. Zhen
CPA Filing Date		Confirmation No	1415
Title of Invention	METHOD AND COMMUNICATION SYSTEM FOR PROCESSING STATE INFORMATION IN A MANAGEMENT NETWORK HAVING A NUMBER OF MANAGEMENT LEVELS		

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 (Box a or b must be completed)**

a. ☐ Previously submitted

i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_

iii. ☐ Other

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment/Reply

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

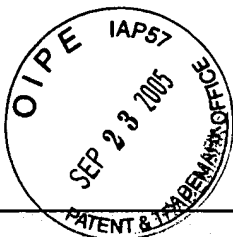
iv. ☐ Other

2. **Miscellaneous**

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required).

b. ☐ Other

**CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8(a)**  
I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, PO Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  
on 9/21/05, 20 25  
By: [Signature]  
Date: SEP 21, 2005



Claims As Amended		Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For		Number Extra		Rate	
Total Claims		29		29		- 20 =		0	
Independent Claims		2		2		- 3 =		0	
Suspension Fee (\$130.00)									
Total of above Calculations =									
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (Note 37 C.F.R. 1.9, 1.27, 1.28).									
TOTAL FEES DUE =									
4. <input type="checkbox"/> Small entity status: a. <input type="checkbox"/> Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status. b. <input type="checkbox"/> A Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status was previously filed and such status is still proper and desired. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is no longer claimed. 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Other:									
6. METHOD OF PAYMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$ \$790.00 is enclosed. <input type="checkbox"/> Charge "TOTAL FEES DUE" to Deposit Account No. 19-3935. (A duplicate copy of this form is enclosed.)									
7. GENERAL AUTHORIZATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 C.F.R. 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application and of any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §120 to maintain pendency hereof and of any such related application to: Deposit Account No. 19-3935.									
8. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS STAAS & HALSEY LLP  21171 PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE									
9. SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OR AGENT REQUIRED NAME Richard A. Gollhofer REGISTRATION NO. 31,106 SIGNATURE <i>Richard A. Gollhofer</i> DATE 9/21/05									